There is a slump in winter over

Dealers in sole leather are not com plaining in Philadelphia.

We see no reason why spring should

not be indorsed by press and pulpit. The man that wore his affinity's name in his hat band evidently had

The rural carriers who are forbidden to shoot game must return to the problem of a butcher's bill.

something on his mind.

It is not the size of woman's hat so much as the cost of it that worries the man who pays the bill.

A day's outing in an airship in Germany is going to be reasonably cheap. Still, the trip will come high.

Here is where the amateur farmer finds that garden truck cannot be gathered unless it is first planted.

If that London bank for women desires to win a big success it should make a specialty of 99-cent and \$1.98 deposits.

An elevator has been installed in St.

Peter's at Rome. Will somebody now please give the Sphinx an extension telephone?

If it is necessary to photograph an ugly dog the blow is appreciably lessened by grouping the brute close to his beautiful young mistress.

Forest fires in Washington are said to have aided and abetted the recent fatal avalanche there. Here is yet another argument for conservation.

Leguminotherapy, this alleged new science of rutabagas and things, can never hope to be popular unless it changes its name to something easier.

A lawyer in San Francisco was paid \$100 a pound for his brief. We have heard of weighing the evidence, but this is the first case of weighing the

The friendship between China and Japan seems to be having an attack of nervous prostration, varied with acute hysteria, as far as the other nations are concerned.

In our Atlantic fleet there are 2,500 saflors who cannot swim. They did not enlist to swim. They prefer to be the men behind the guns, which they hope will keep afloat.

Roller skating may be all right, but the tired man who is trying to sleep beside a window that overlooks a broad cement walk on a warm evening does not fully appreciate it.

A New England woman detective is to marry a millionaire. Perhaps he thinks in view of the attacks of wealth, now the fashion, that a detective will come bandy in the family.

No wonder the pneumonia germ retires willingly from the scene as spring comes on, bringing with it the untamed chauffeur to continue the work of providing business for the undertaker.

Of course, Germany will give a hearty welcome to American exhibitors at Berlin, and, no doubt, the kaiser will honor the display by his presence. The friendship between the two great nations is too strong for treatment of any other kind.

A party of American tourists who are visiting South America, going by way of a commodious and comfortable excursion steamer, are doing some good missionary work as well as enlarging their own experience. The visitors from the United States have been most cordially received by the officials and people of the southern help to promote friendly relations.

An army officer, summoned as an expert in a New York shooting case, objected to taking the usual oath to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. He said he dog." was willing to tell all he knew, but that it was quite possible also that he might be mistaken, or that he was not acquainted with the whole truth. If all experts are as morbidly conscientious as this about their own failibility, expert testimony is going to be revolutionized.

New Orleans has a novelty in booms. It appears that the great demand of that city is for babies, and to supply requirements recourse has an had to other localities where the birthrate is larger. A car load of infants from New York was shipped to New Orleans recently and disposed of in a jiffy. In fact, there were not onequarter enough babies to fill the orders. Another installment has been engaged, and it would seem that any baby looking for a happy home need go no farther than the Crescent city to find such an outfit.

Appropriating the interest from a pension fund is about as refined an amusement as pawning the loe at a relative's funeral.

Madame Lipkowska, a Russian prima donna, has won her suit against a Boston hotel proprietor to restrain atm from giving her name to choice The management agreed peaceably not to use her name in such nection. It may have been that the citizens of the intellectual conter. for reasons of their own, she from ordering the dishes.

BANTER SPRINGS .. RANSAS The Possession of Fitzie Three A Corner in Ancestors

By JANE OSBORN

man, Davis Fitzgerald had arrived on fair nose. the college campus with Robert Fitzgerald, his younger brother and classmate, and an altogether engaging bull girl. Only this time he never went to terrier following in his wake, he had the dormitory at all, but had to stay been known as Fitzie One. His broth- at Cynthia's all the time, and, excepter, who had amazingly developed as far as studies and athletics went, was Fitzie Two; and the dog was Fitzie kennels with several other dogs. On Three.

Fitzie One liked the girls, and because of his liberal and sympathetic teste in the matter, he was kept in a constant state of indecision. At first and the members of the Browning sohe had been moved to freshman raptures over the 30-year-old daughter of his Greek professor. Then it was the sophisticated library stenographer, and then-but no one, save Fitzie One, himself, could recount the full number of his charmers.

But everyone knew about Georgie Marston. Fitzie One had come back to college as a senior with a free and ready heart, and he had speedily, and with even more enthusiasm than usual, centered his thoughts upon the daughter of the new vicar of the college chapel, the bewitching Georgie.

"Do you know, Miss Marston," he told her one Sunday afternoon as they were walking through a woodland pathway, with the faithful Fitzle Three, "do you know, Georgie, it isn't just because you're pretty? It's something deeper, more intangible than that.

Georgie, because of her inexperience, blushed and felt uncomfortable. She tried to think of some suitable way to change the subject, when her eye caught sight of the dutiful Fitzle Three plodding on, a few feet ahead. "Isn't he a perfect dear of a dog? I am just crazy about bulldogs!"

"Oh, are you?" exclaimed Fitzie One, whose enthusiasm at this point was mounting to alarming heights. "You can have him if you like!"

"Oh, Mr. Fitzgerald!" she exclaimed, in a way that made Fitzie One feel a thrill of age and manliness. And then she continued: "I don't believe father



would let me keep a dog, but perhaps could borrow him sometimes?" The idea met with Fitzle One's en-

tire approval. "Oh, I'm so glad to have him now." she went on. "He'll make such a nice mascot for our Browning society." Then, as Fitzle One looked interested, tell-because Miss Standish wanted to she explained: "It's a club that some of us girls have just got up. We sugcontinent, and doubtless the trip will gested all sorts of things-cards, and embroidery, and things like that-and finally we agreed on Browning. We tell me sooner." read together once a week, and as the meetings are to be at my house, they said I could decide upon the mascot. | queried Georgie. If you don't mind I'll make it your

> "Your dog," Fitzie One generously corrected.

"Yes, my dog," said Georgie, "and of course I won't tell anyone where braced the bewildered dog. "Oh, I knew I got him. Oh, it will be perfectly he would," she said. lovely," she cried-as she knelt before her newly-acquired pet, and looked into his trustful dog eyes.

So it was that the Browning society acquired, for its official mascot, open and Fitzie Two was seen in the Georgie Marston's new dog. But as hall. the winter came on, and the excitement of college festivities detracted from the milder amusement of read- rope. He's on the porch." ing poetry, Fitzie Three's visits at the vicarage became-less frequent. Finally the forgotten mascot, who shared his master's fondness for girls, quite gave up hope of ever being stroked by a fairer hand, or coaxed and teased by a gentler voice, than his master's.

In this state of resignation, he found himself one late winter afternoon been yelping all the way in." walking on the frozen country road with his master and some one with a gentler voice.

"Fascinating dog of your's," he heard and then as his master and the girl who had spoken-a girl with a rippling laugh, and not at all like anyone he had ever even thought of be- abused Buster started for home. fore-got down before him, he heard his master say: "If you really think no, Cynthia, you can have him. Cynthis, dear, I would do anything in the ton gave her heart to one and a hump And then Pittle Three, who was not

ried away at the idea of being adintred, fumped up and gave his new shells than by champague copks

Ever since the day when, as a fresh- | mistress a dog kiss on the end of he

That was how Fittle Three happened once more to be in the possession of a ing when his former master came to see her, he was forced to stay in the the whole, Fitzle would much have preferred being back in the dormitory. In the meantime, with the coming of

early spring, college festivities abated, ciety sought to reunite. "Be sure to have our mascot," said

the president of the society to Georgie. Georgie had told Fitzie Two-for it was Fitzle Two, instead of Fitzle One, who now walked through the woodland pathways with the bewitching Georgie. "You've got to get hold of Fitzie Three somehow, because the meeting is to-morrow, and if the girls don't find him they'll wonder, and, oh! it will be just dreadful!"

"But, Georgie," Fitzie had explained, "I asked Fitzle One about it and he said he simply couldn't get him. You know he gave the beast to Cynthia Standish, and he's on pins and needles about asking for him. He's really hit this time and he wouldn't spoil his chances for anything."

"Of course," agreed Georgie, "and I'm not a bit cross, only it puts me in such a fix. Really, I don't see how Fitzie ever had the courage to make advances to Miss Standish. She's so dreadfully rich and she never mixes up with the college crowd at all."

"That's just the trouble. If she was one of the girls, she'd understand, but he hates to explain to Cynthia." Fitzle Two sighed from the depth of experi-"But I know how he feels, ence. Georgie. When a fellow is really, really in love he's on pins and needles about everything. Say, Georgie," he added, suddenly bringing up a subject which only the day before he had promised to drop forever, "I was thinking last night that if you'd promise to hold off and not marry anyone for two or three years, and give me a chance to do something worth while, that you might feel differently then. You said you weren't sure I loved you enough. But if I should do something great to prove it-something that no one had ever done before, and you knew I did it just for you-wouldn't that convince you?"

"If you will get Fitzle Three, I'll say 'yes' now," Georgie said, gravely. Fitzle Two's vision of glorious worldly accomplishment faded into the humble dickering over a dog. "It's a go, Georgie! I'll manage it somehow." back to the vicarage, and with a friendly: "See you later, Georgie!" hewent out upon his knightly errand.

It was unnecessary, putting him to the test, for in spite of her professed doubts, Georgie was sure, in her heart, of the depth and single-mindedness of Fitzle Two's devotion; and as the afternoon passed she began to doubt her own wisdom in forcing him to undertake such a task.

Her misgivings were, for the moment, put aside, however, when at eight o'clock Mr. Fitzgerald and Miss Standish were announced by the vicarage housemaid. Georgie hurried into the little drawing room, and beheld, not only Fitzle One and the daszling Cynthia, but the much-coveted mascot of the Browning society.

Fitzle One had brought Miss Standish-they were engaged but only secretly, and Georgie promised not to apologize for keeping the dog. have so many at home," she explained, "that I really shan't miss this one at all. And Davis was so foolish not to

"And then you told Miss Standish, because Fitzle Two asked you?"

"Oh, yes, to be sure," said Fitzie "He's been after me for two One. days about it. He's downright fool-

Georgie smiled, blushed and em-

A heavy step on the vicarage veranda and a plaintive howl, made Fitzle Three look up with sudden expectation. Then the front door swung

"Hello, Georgie," he called. "I've got the beast. Hauled him in on a

Georgie, without excusing herself, rushed out of the drawing room, "I had to steal him from the kennel

after dark," Fitzle Two went on. "And honestly, I don't know what those Standishes have done to him. You wouldn't know him for the same animal. I tied him to a rope and he's

"Oh, my poor, dear Buster!" cried Miss Standish, who had overheard "He's stolen Buster by mistake."

The explanation was brief and bilarious, and after enthusiastic pledges of friendship on the part of the two girls, Fitzle One and Cynthia and the

Then, when the little vicarage door was closed Fitzle Two and Fitzle Three were happy, for Georgie Marsof sugar to the other.

It is better in he tracked by peanu

By ELEANOR LEXINGTON

McAllister Family

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lister, try some of the following orthographies: McAlester, McAlastar, McAlister, McAlestar, McAllestar, Mo- for the lands of Loup and Kennox Allister, MacAlister, McCollister, The last form is frequently found in colonial records of Pennsylvania. Mc-Arleester is the Gaelic pronunciation.

Whatever the orthography, as blue blood flows in the veins of the Mc-Allisters as can be found, and in nobility of ancestry, in bravery in military prowess, the family is surpassed by

As a matter of fact the McAllister history begins with the clan McDonald and some one tells us that "the two best names in Great Britain are the Plantagenets and the McDonalds and the descendants of the last named in the United States can claim as noble ancestry as any family in the United Kingdom.

To begin with the McDonalds, then; this name is a compound of two Gael-



ic words, domnnan (the world) and all (mighty, powerful). Domnhan-all, or arm in armor, couped, fesseways, the the son of Domnhanall, designated by hand holding a cross-crosslet fitchee, the prefix Mac (meaning "son of"), became in time McDonald. Ua, which has been changed to O, means the "grandson of." For example, Ua-Suilleabhain is now O'Sullivan.

The McDonald pedigree traces back to kings of Norway, taking in, by the way, Somerled, thane of Argyle, called King of the Isles, and Isabella, sister of King Robert Bruce.

Alaster is the Gaelic form of Alexander and the new clan McAllister was founded about 1260 by Allester or the McAllisters of Loup and Kennox Alexander MacDonald. He was suc- house.

When in doubt how to spell McAl- | ceeded by a worthy son, Allaster Mac Allaster. Descendants of this line had charters from the earl of Argyle house, Ayrshire, was one seat of the McAllisters.

Archibald and Alexander are the immigrants. Alexander came from "Leup, off Argyllshire," to Wilmington, N. C., 1786.

It is not known from what place in Scotland Archibald came. In 1730 he owned about 800 acres in Cumberland Valley, Pa., and his mill and part of his house is still standing, or were a few years ago. He was one of the founders of the First Presbyterian church of Carlisle. He held office and in 1749 was collector of taxes.

The McAllisters of the west-of the lands of gold and sunshine-are descendants of Alexander; of Neill Mo-Allister, the fourth from the pilgrim father, according to one tradition. Neill was an officer in the continental army and a member of the Society of the Cincinnati.

Characteristics of the McAllisters are great physical strength and stat-

He knows his own mind and stands to it immovably, said of one of the race, applies equally to many others of the lineage. They have tempers all their own, quick, but of short duration, and the McAllisters never bear

Flora, Annie, David, Hugh, Malcolm, Archibald and Guthrie are favorite family names and George Washington. Intermarriages are with the McCallums, McCormics, McDougalls, McDuffles, McKays and all the others beginning with "Mc" or "Mac." Grahams, Camerons, Drakes and Hodges have been taken into the family by marriage, also the Lees, Lewises and Campbells, of Virginia.

The coat of arms illustrated is blazoned quarterly: First, argent, a lion rampant, gules; second, or, a dexter gules; third, or, a lymphad or galley, oars and sails, sable, flags, gules; fourth, vert, a salmon naiant, proper. Crest, a hand in armor holding a cross-crosslet fitchee gules.

Motto: Per Mare, Per Terras. second motto is sometimes used-Fortiter, and the supporters of the Mc-Allister shield are dexter; a bear pierced in the back with an arrow; sinister, an eagle, proper.

This is the cost-armor assigned to

Benton Family

Northumberland, and from this, it is connections have often been with fam probable that the name was derived. Hies who have records. Reed is one Bent is an old Saxon word, often used family related by the marriage tiein early English poetry, and signifying a plain, a field, a moor.

Little Benton, and Long Benton are towns in Northumberland, where the records of the Benton family go back to the twelfth century. In Wiltshire, Benton is an old family name. Benton Castle is a ruin in Pembroke, and Benton hall a place of some note in Scotland. In the time of Henry VII., the Bentons, or some members of the family, were Knights of St. John of Jerusalem. Benton, Bayntun and Baynton are variations of the name, and possibly Boynton is a near cousin.

Edward and his nephew, Andrew Benton, are two patriarchs, whose history is worth looking up. They were born near London, in Essex, and came to America in 1638, to Weltiersfield, Conn., and Andrew went later to Milford, and Edward to Guilford. Andrew is buried at Hartford, where his

tombstone is still standing. The Bentons of New York state trace back to Edward, the immigrant settler, of Guilford, Conn. His son Joel, born 1771, removed to central New York, where he was justice of the peace and member of the legislature. Calvin Benton introduced merino sheep into New England. His son James designed the first wrought iron

sea coast gun carriage made here. In North Carolina Col. Jesse Benton was private secretary to Gov. Tryon, the last royal governor.

Thomas Hart Benton, or Col. Benton, was aide-de-camp to Jackson in the war of 1812. He was a western ploneer, settling in St. Louis. His speech on finance, celebrated both 1296. Those of the present generahere and in Europe, won for him the sobriquet "Old Bullion"-a title of which he boasted. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Col. James McDowell of Virginia, and their daughter married Gen. Fremont, governor of Arisona. It is told by Col. Benton, that he never smoked, drank or engaged in any games of chance. This was in deference to his mother's wishes, and it was his desire to adhere to them through life.

The Bentons were always well represented when war was abroad in the land. Capt. Selah and Lieut. Jacob, both of Connecticut, were members of forth in "77. The records of him is: other. For example; the arms for the "A man of veracity, honorable, hon-

tion, but that they were men of mark of and labor, also negotiation.

Benton is the name of a parish in | all along the ages. The marriage



the line of Col. John Reed, an immi grant of 1660, and born in England. He received the thanks of parliament for a brave defense in time of war, before he left his native land. The bishops, grantees of Guilford from an Indian sachem, are others with whom the Bentons claim kin, and the Adams, descendants of Sir John a p Adams, tion—that is, ye gentle readers—do not perhaps take a lively interest in Sir John, so we will not linger over his history.

Butler, Goodrich, Parmelee, Crampton, Hatch, Stocker, Waters, Scoffeld and Naughty-Naughty is a name, is it not-are families we find in Benton records also Russell and Musick.

The coat-of-arms illustrated is blazoned in "Burke's Peerage" sable; six fusils, in bend, argent,

Crest: a griffin's head, erased (t. e. torn off, not coupled or cut off), ar gent. This is an ancient blazon, several arms are given for the Bentons, the Continental army. Jacob went all are old, and they resemble each Wiltshire branch is; mahle, five fuells, in bend, argent. The crest, however, The Bentons of to-day can boast is quite different; on a mount, vert, a that their ancestors not only go back lamb carrying a harmer, astro. A fully on a medical charge, symbolices trav-

This contractor, got resu Some years ago a contractor ing a railroad in a warm climate was troubled a great deal by sickness

among the laborers. He turned his attention at once to their food and found that they were getting full rations of meat and were

drinking water from a stream near by. He issued orders to cut down the amount of meat and to increase greatly the quantity of Quaker Oats fed to the

He also boiled Quaker Oats and mixed the thin oatmeal water with their drinking water. Almost instantly all signs of stomach disorders passed and his men showed a decided improvement in strength and spirits. This contractor had experience that faught him the great value of good oatmeal, 53

Packed in regular size packages, and in hermetically sealed tins for hot climates.

Good Law That Should Be Enforced. Anti-spitting ordinances, laws and regulations in more than five-eighths of the cities and towns of the country are not enforced as they should be, alleges the National Association for the Study of Tuberculosis in a recent report. While most of the larger cities of the United States have such laws on their books, in the great majority of cases they are ignored or overlooked. The report covers in detail the enforcement of the anti-spitting ordinances in 80 of the largest cities in the country. During the year 1909 in these 80 cities, 3,421 arrests were made for violation of the laws regarding spitting in public places. Over 2,900 convictions were secured and \$4,100.87 was collected in fines.

Because a home is in the country—because it is on a farm—is only an added reason why it should be more up-to-date and attractive, for those who are fortunate enough to live in the country really spend more time in their homes than do those who live in cities.

And it is also true that farm homes and farm life as daily becoming more and more attractive. The inside of our house is our home, so why not make it nice and attractive, homely and cheerful, up-to-date and modern.

You wouldn't think of burning tallow candles, yet why use wall paper?

candles, yet why use wall paper?

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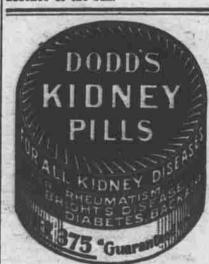
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Retribution may come from any voice. Surely, help and pity are rarer things-more needful for the righteous to bestow.-George Eliot.

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